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Application No. 09/540,235
Dane K. Fisher *et al.*

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In re applications of:

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Appln. No.: 09/540,235

Filed: April 3, 2000

For: Nucleic Acid Sequences from
Cyanidium caldarium and Uses Thereof

Art Unit: To be assigned

Examiner: To be assigned

Atty. Docket: 38-21(15749)B

Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - Filing Date Granted dated April 3, 2000, Applicants submit the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application - mailed on July 7, 2000;
2. Copy of receipt postcard filed on April 3, 2000, with Patent and Trademark Office date-stamp of April 3, 2000;
3. Substituted original Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by inventor Dane K. Fisher (3 pages);
4. Substituted original Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by inventor Raghunath V. Lalgudi (3 pages); and
5. a return-receipt prepaid postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached prepaid postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned as soon as possible.

The Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application stated that the oath or declaration was missing. Applicants respectfully submit that this assertion is in error.

On April 3, 2000, the filing date of the above-identified application, applicants submitted: (1) original Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by inventor Dane K. Fisher (3 pages) and (2) original Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by inventor Raghunath V. Lalgudi (3 pages). Receipt of this submission is clearly noted on the enclosed copy of the return-receipt postcard containing the PTO date-stamp of April 3, 2000. Applicants submit that they have filed the original declarations and all other required items.

Applicants are submitting, however, for your convenience, a substituted original Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by inventor Dane K. Fisher (3 pages) and a substituted original Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by inventor Raghunath V. Lalgudi (3 pages), in response to the Notice. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 13-4125 in the amount of \$130.00 covering \$130.00 Surcharge for late filing of Declaration (37 C.F.R. § 1.16).

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 13-4125. If extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned, and any fees therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 13-4125. A duplicate copy of this Response is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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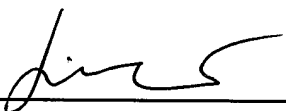
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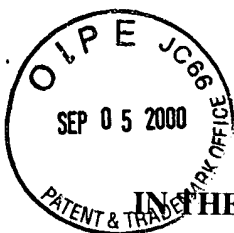
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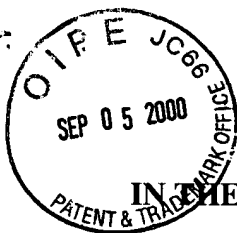
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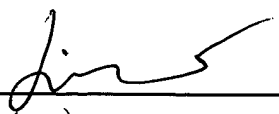
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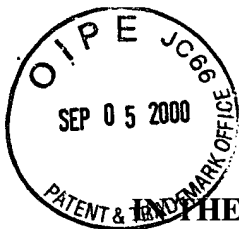
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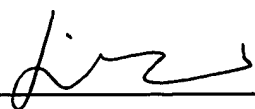
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION


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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

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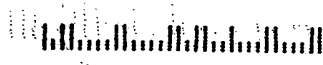
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Please place the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office receipt stamp hereon to acknowledge receipt of the following:

1. Transmittal Letter to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents;
2. Utility Patent Application Transmittal (PTO/SB/05);
3. Form PTO-1082 (in duplicate)
4. U.S. Utility Patent Application (1 box consisting of 86 pages of description prior to the claims; 2 pages of claims (11 claims); a 1 page abstract; and 2,451 pages of a sequence listing);
5. A CD-ROM containing the sequence listing;
6. Statement Regarding Sequence Submission;
7. Original Decl'n & Power of Atty., executed by inventor Dane K. Fisher (3 pages);
8. Original Decl'n & Power of Atty., executed by inventor Raghunath V. Lalgudi (3 pages);
9. Information Disclosure Statement;
10. Form PTO-1449 (1 page), with 8 accompanying documents; and
11. Two (2) return postcards.

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